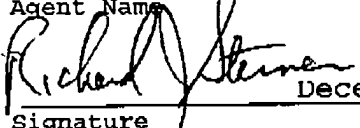


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This is in response to the Notice mailed November 30, 2004.
Withdrawal of the Notice and remanding of the application to the
Examiner are respectfully requested in view of this Response.